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Darkseid Invades New Genesis!

A crucial moment in the battle between New Genesis and Apokolips, as Darkseid's demons attack the homeland of THE NEW GODS in order to obtain a portion of the Anti-Life Equation.

Lonar, Rider of the Silver Stallion, is spotlighted this issue, as a student of Granny Goodness' mysteriously appears at the Alaskan homeland of an Eskimo Lonar is sworn to protect. This student, The Apocalypse Child, does not know why Darkseid allowed him to escape -- he is merely thankful to be away from Granny Goodness' school. He is the key pawn in Darkseid's plans.

Orion, Lightray, Metron and the other NEW GODS are summoned to New Genesis to stave off Darkseid's attack -- one member of the team actually dies in battle.

RETURN OF THE NEW GODS #15 was scripted by Gerry Conway, pencilled by Rich Buckler (a special assignment: Don Newton will be back next issue), inked by Bob McLeod, and edited by Paul Levitz. It will reach the newsstands September 6th.

Shade Captured in Meta-Zone!

When we last left SHADE -- THE CHANGING MAN, our hero had returned to his home, the Meta-Zone, with hopes to uncover evidence that will clear him of the charges of treason and attempted murder. While SHADE is on his quest, Mellu is captured by a Metan criminal and transported to the Area of Madness.

Learning of her exile, SHADE risks life and limb to attempt to rescue his former fiancee from a fate worse than death. But for his efforts, The Changing Man is captured and imprisoned, awaiting execution.

SHADE -- THE CHANGING MAN #4 was originally scheduled for release September 1st; however, due to scheduling considerations, SHADE #4 will be released one week earlier, on August 23rd. It will therefore be shipped on August 2nd instead of on the ninth.

As usual, SHADE was plotted and drawn by Steve Ditko and dialogued by Michael Fleisher. Jack C. Harris edited.

Swamp Thing and Deadman Team-Up with Challengers of the Unknown!

Returning to their lair from the recently-destroyed town of Perdition, THE CHALLENGERS OF THE UNKNOWN are aided by Deadman in their attempts to cure the dying Prof Haley. Reunited as a team, THE CHALLENGERS attempt to locate Swamp Thing, who, in his mortal form, was initially responsible for saving Prof's life.

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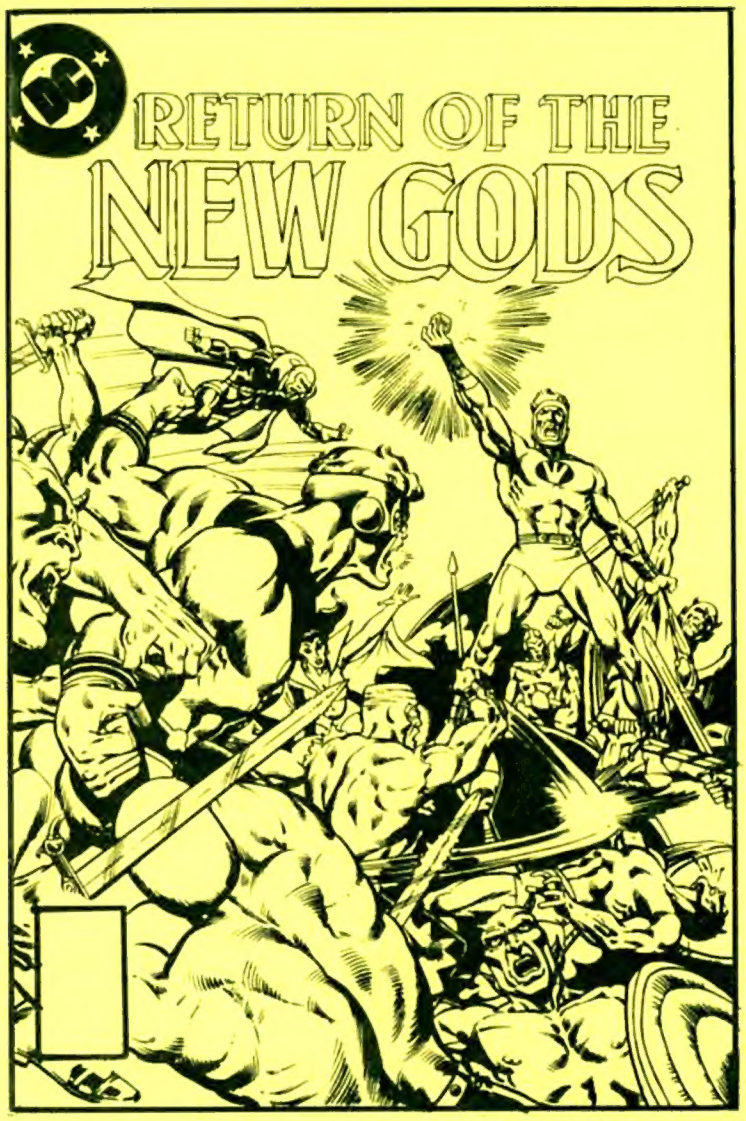
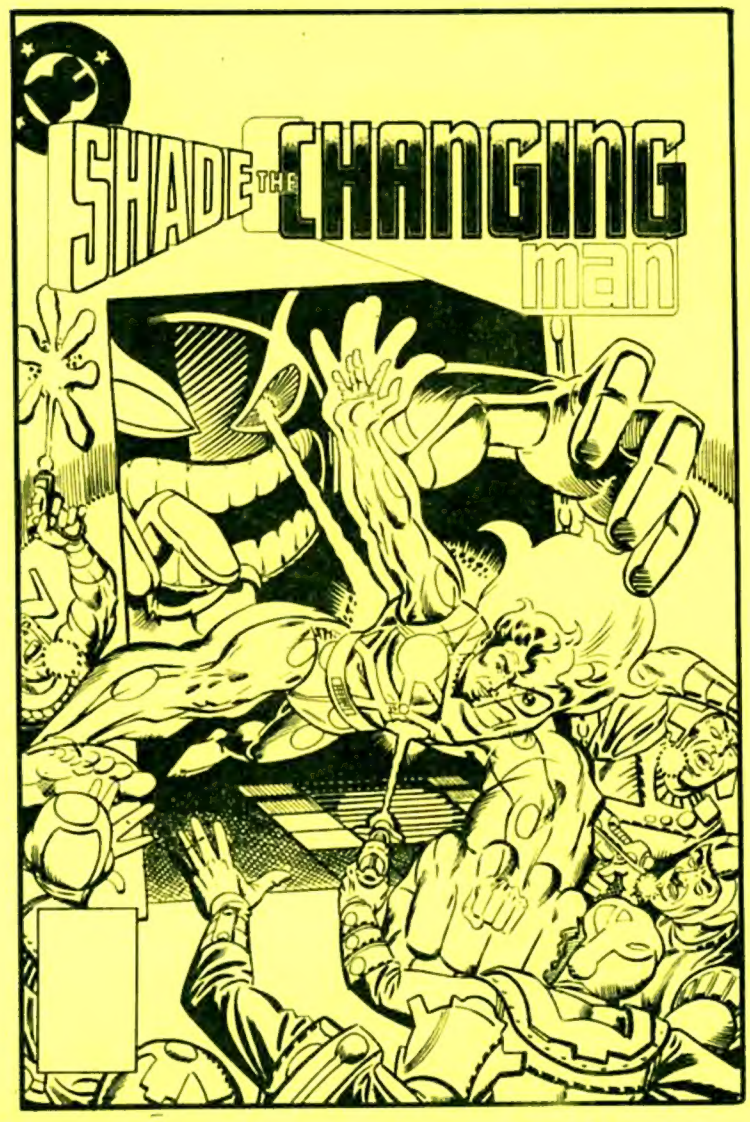




Unknown to THE CHALLENGERS, Deadman also picks up the search and trails Swamp Thing to Philadelphia, where, for mysterious reasons, the man-monster is destroying the city of brotherly love.

CHALLENGERS OF THE UNKNOWN #84 is the third part of the Swamp Thing multi-parter. Rip Hunter -- Time Master, joins Deadman, Swamp Thing and THE CHALLENGERS next issue. Number 84 was produced by Gerry Conway, Keith Giffen and John Celardo for Editor Jack C. Harris, and it goes on sale September 20th.

Batman's Murderer Revealed!

This month, the "Where Were You On the Night BATMAN Was Killed" four-parter winds up with "The Testimony of The Joker." The Joker presents "evidence" to indicate he is the actual murderer of THE BATMAN, trying to convince a jury of his "peers" -- Poison Ivy, The Scarecrow, Mr. Freeze, Mad Hatter, The Spook and Signalman -- of his alleged guilt. In the previous three issues, Prosecuting Attorney Two-Face established Catwoman, The Riddler, and Luthor were innocent of the crime.

The Joker is guilty of murder. But is THE BATMAN really dead? BATMAN #294 has all the answers to this masterful detective thriller starring twelve of THE BATMAN's greatest foes. David V. Reed, John Calnan, and Tex Blaisdell turned in the story; Julie Schwartz, as usual, edited. It carries a September 8th release date.

Odd Items, Noteworthy News...

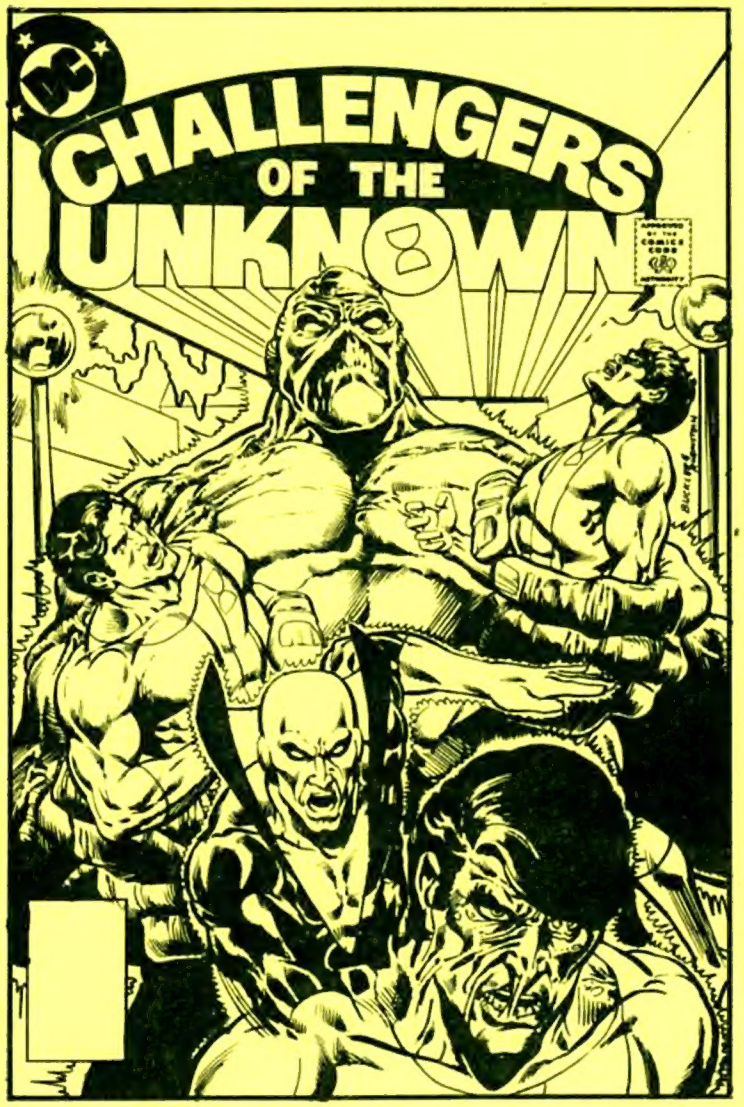
The unknown benefactor of THE SECRET SOCIETY OF SUPER-VILLAINS is finally revealed in the 11th issue of their magazine, as Funky Flashman is booted out of the

group. Green Lantern's old nemesis, The Floronic Man, joins the group this issue... An old 1940's Batman villain, Deadshot, returns to stalk the Darknight Detective in DETECTIVE COMICS #474...TEEN TITANS #52 finishes off the Titans East / Titans West three-parter...Bloodstalker closes in on KAMANDI and Spirit in "The Eternity Trap," the 54th issue of his book...SUPERMAN takes on a new villain, Portia, a female cosmic pirate in #318...Scott Free travels to Apokolips to battle for Big Barda's life in MR. MIRACLE #21.

Matt Cable, late of Swamp Thing, takes on The Doom Patrol in an attempt to capture Negative Woman in SHOWCASE #96...AQUAMAN is engaged in showdowns with The Fisherman and The Scavenger, as Mera continues her search for the way to save her son's life; both stories in AQUAMAN #59...METAL MEN #55 guest-stars Green Lantern...Wonder Woman and The Secret Society of Super-Villains join up with The Atom in "The End of the Quest," in SUPER-TEAM FAMILY #14...SUPERBOY AND THE LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES take on "The Composite Legionnaire," in a special 34 page story by Conway, Estrada, and Abel, in #234.

GREEN LANTERN, GREEN ARROW and Katma Tui face-off against The Mocker in the final chapter of their four-parter in #99...THE JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA, The Privateer, Snapper Carr and Dr. Light all confront the newest JLA super-villain, The Star-Tsar, in a double-length thriller by Englehart, Dillin and McLaughlin...Killer Moth and the Cavalier separately take on Robin and Batgirl in their attempts to find the location of the Bat-cave, as Man-Bat takes on the Shotgun Sniper; both in BATMAN FAMILY #15.

Double-GHOSTS action this month as GHOSTS achieves monthly status and the all-new GHOSTS SPECIAL hits the stands...Wonder Woman and Sgt. Rock team up in a battle with Dr. Psycho in WORLD'S FINEST COMICS #248. Green Arrow and The Black Canary team up to take on The Hellgrammite, Superman and Batman team up to stop a conspiracy to kidnap world leaders and The Vigilante teams-up with a new partner -- in fact, Lopez and Giordano team up to provide the cover!



Shipping Information

ADDITION TO SHIPPING THE WEEK OF AUGUST 2nd:
Shade The Changing Man #4

ADDITION TO SHIPPING THE WEEK OF AUGUST 9th:
Isis #8 / Jonah Hex #7 / Secrets of the Haunted House #9

SHIPPING THE WEEK OF AUGUST 16th:
Justice League of America (Giant) #149 / Kamandi #54 / Return of the New Gods #15 / The Flash #256 / Weird War Tales #58 / Batman #294 / Superman #318 / Welcome Back, Kotter #8

SHIPPING THE WEEK OF AUGUST 23rd:
Mister Miracle #21 / Aquaman #59 / Metal Men #55 / Ghosts #59 / Sgt. Rock #311 / Super Friends #9 / Teen Titans #52

SHIPPING THE WEEK OF AUGUST 30th:
G.I. Combat (Dollar Comic) #205 / World's Finest Comics (Dollar Comic) #248 / House of Secrets #149 / Challengers of the Unknown #84 / Secret Society of Super-Villains #11 / Warlord #10 / Showcase, featuring the Doom Patrol #96 / Superboy and the Legion of Super-Heroes (Giant) #234

SHIPPING THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 6th:
Super-Team Family, featuring Wonder Woman, The Secret Society of Super-Villains and The Atom (Giant) #14 / Unknown Soldier #210 / Detective Comics #474 / Ghosts Special (Giant) / Action Comics #478 / Green Lantern - Green Arrow #99 / Star Hunters #2 / Wonder Woman #238 / Batman Family (Giant) #15